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May 02, 2017

David J. Bradley, Clerk

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

LARRY WARFIELD,
(FORMER SPN #00127161)
Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN DOE,
Defendant.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. H-17-1125

MEMORANDUM ON DISMISSAL

The plaintiff, a former inmate at the Harris County Jail, filed this civil rights action in forma pauperis. On April 21, 2017, the Clerk's Notice of Case Filing was returned to the court by the postal service with the notation, "Return to Sender, released from custody of Harris County Sheriff's Office." (Docket Entry No. 3).

Under Local Rule 83.4, a pro se litigant is responsible for keeping the Clerk advised in writing of his current address. The court will send notices only to the address on file. The plaintiff has failed to provide the court with an accurate, current address. Under the inherent powers necessarily vested in a court to manage its own affairs, this court determines that dismissal for want of prosecution is appropriate. *See* FED. R. CIV. P. 41(b); *Link v. Wabash R.R.*, 370 U.S. 626 (1962); *Woodson v. Surgitek, Inc.*, 57 F.3d 1406, 1417 (5th Cir. 1995); 8 J. MOORE ET AL., MOORE'S

FEDERAL PRACTICE § 41.51(3)(b) & (e) (3d ed. 2010). Upon a proper showing, relief from this order may be granted in accordance with FED. R. CIV. P. 60(b). *See Link*, 370 U.S. at 635.

This action is DISMISSED without prejudice for want of prosecution.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, on May 2, 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vanessa D. Gilmore', written over a horizontal line.

VANESSA D. GILMORE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE